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(b) (6) Chief
Applications Section
Immigration and Naturalization Service
20 West Broadway
New York 7, New York

Re: Exchange Professor M.P. Bieniek,
Imm. File No. A-11554647

Dear (b) (6)

This letter confirms the representations made by Mr. (b) (6) Acting Head of the Structural Mechanics Branch of this Division, in his 30 November 1960 telephone conversation with you to the effect that this Office will greatly appreciate the cooperation of the Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization in effecting a one to two year extension of the exchange visitor visa of Polish exchange Professor Maciej P. Bieniek who is currently on the staff of Columbia University's College of Engineering. Dr. Bieniek's present visa for this purpose expires 31 January 1961, and he is now awaiting Polish action on his Columbia University supported request for an extension of his passport. A personal data sheet on Dr. Bieniek is enclosed.

As mentioned by (b) (6) in this and the previous conversation with you and your assistant, (b) (6) the desire for minimum action is shared by Columbia University and by Dr. Bieniek himself to make possible his continued teaching there and, in particular, the utilization of his unique talents and experience on a high priority research project recently initiated at Columbia University by this Office. The study concerns the physical properties of certain types of filled viscoelastic materials of interest as rocket fuels, and represents the first serious effort in this country to thoroughly investigate the basic mechanics of such composite solids. The expected value of Dr. Bieniek's services in this currently unclassified study is based upon his present knowledge and extensive research experience in this field acquired in Poland where, in common with certain other European and Iron Curtain countries, the mechanics of such materials have been under study for several years.

Accordingly, your favorable consideration of Dr. Bieniek's anticipated request for such an extension of his present visa is respectfully solicited.

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The security classification assigned to this letter reflects the agreed upon propriety of keeping covert the Government's interest in Dr. Bieniek's case.

Sincerely yours,

(b) (6)
(b) (6), Director
Mathematical Sciences Division
By direction of
Chief of Naval Research

Encl:
(1) Personal data sheet of
Professor M.P. Bieniek

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(b) (6) Foreign Affairs Officer
Soviet and Eastern European Exchange Staff
Room 5222, New State Extension
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Re: Exchange Professor M. P. Bieniek (Visa B-2
No. WRW 62)

Dear (b) (6):

This letter confirms the representations made by (b) (6) Acting Head of the Structural Mechanics Branch of this Division, in his 28 November 1960 telephone conversation with you to the effect that this Office will greatly appreciate the cooperation of the Department of State in effecting a one to two year extension of the exchange visitor visa of Polish exchange Professor Maciej P. Bieniek who is currently on the staff of Columbia University's College of Engineering. Dr. Bieniek's present visa for this purpose expires 31 January 1961, and he is now awaiting Polish action on his Columbia University supported request for an extension of his passport. A personal data sheet on Dr. Bieniek is enclosed.

As mentioned by (b) (6) in this and in previous conversations with you and your associate, (b) (6) the desire for this minimum action is shared by Columbia University and by Dr. Bieniek himself to make possible his continued teaching there and, in particular, the utilization of his unique talents and experience on a high priority research project recently initiated at Columbia University by this Office. The study concerns the physical properties of certain types of filled viscoelastic materials of interest as rocket fuels, and represents the first serious effort in this country to thoroughly investigate the basic mechanics of such composite solids. The expected value of Dr. Bieniek's services in this currently unclassified study is based upon his present knowledge and extensive research experience in this field acquired in Poland where, in common with certain other European and Iron Curtain countries, the mechanics of such materials have been under study for several years.

While the Office of Naval Research greatly appreciates the indicated willingness of your Department to take under advisement a formal recommendation for a permanent immigration visa for Dr. Bieniek, consideration

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of the several factors here involved has limited our recommendation to that indicated above, namely, to a simple extension of his present visitor status. Accordingly, this Office will greatly appreciate your favorable consideration of the anticipated request by Dr. Bieniek for such a limited extension.

The security classification assigned to this letter reflects our Departments joint desire to keep covert the Government's interest in the Bieniek case.

Sincerely yours,

(b) (6) Director
Mathematical Sciences Division
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(1) Personal Data Sheet of Professor M.P. Bieniek

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Professor (b) (6)
Department of Civil Engineering
Columbia University
Broadway at 117th Street
New York 27, New York

Re: Professor M. P. Bieniek

Dear Professor (b) (6)

This letter summarizes the considerations given and actions taken on your 1 August 1960 request for ONR support of Columbia University's effort to obtain a permanent immigration visa for Exchange Professor M. P. Bieniek presently with your Department.

As indicated during our several telephone conversations of this matter over the intervening months, both the political and security aspects of this objective were studied in conjunction with the Department of State and the Office of Naval Intelligence. As mentioned in our telephone discussion of 28 November 1960, the decision reached from these considerations was to limit our support to a simple extension of Dr. Bieniek's present exchange visitor status.

It is regretted, of course, that the success of this approach to retaining Dr. Bieniek's services is critically dependent on his success in obtaining (without U. S. Government assistance) an extension of his Polish passport.

Assuming successful accomplishment of this initial step, action has been taken to facilitate the corresponding extension of Dr. Bieniek's American visitors visa. Specifically, both the Department of States' Soviet and Eastern European Exchange Staff ((b) (6)), and the New York Office of the Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization ((b) (6)), have been alerted to Dr. Bieniek's anticipated request for such an extension, and their cooperation in this regard has been solicited.

It is hoped that these measures will be sufficient to effect a furtherance of Dr. Bieniek's stay, at Columbia University, at least for the initial period of your viscoelasticity study for this Office.

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Yours Very Sincerely,

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